U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY



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WHEREAS, This Eighteenth day of January Two Thousand Ten marks the launch of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's National Fair Housing Collegiate Partnership Campaign to Colleges and Universities throughout the country.

WHEREAS, Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act (Fair Housing Act), as amended, makes it unlawful to discriminate in housing because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, and disability.

WHEREAS, Equal opportunity in housing can best be accomplished through leadership, education, and mutual cooperation among individuals and organizations committed to creating thriving, diverse communities.

WHEREAS, HUD, in partnership with Tennessee State University (TSU), is signing this proclamation to ensure that TSU students are knowledgeable about the Fair Housing Act.

FURTHERMORE, HUD and Tennessee State University, in addition to working to further fair housing, will promote public service as a career goal to TSU students through education and outreach activities that increase their knowledge about and awareness of today's housing challenges.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, John D. Trasviña, HUD Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, and Melvin N. Johnson, President of Tennessee State University, agree to work collaboratively to educate TSU students about the requirements of the Fair Housing Act, highlight the benefits of public service, and provide information to help them recognize and report housing discrimination.

APPROVED this 18th day of January, 2010



John D. Trasviña, Assistant Secretary
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